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SUBJECT: SOVIET VIEWS ON MIDDLE EAST SITUATION

IN CONCERSATION WITH EMBOFF EVENING OCT. 25, SOV OFFICIAL (KNOWN TO BE AFFILIATED WITH KGB) MADE FOUR POINTS ON PRESENT SITUATION IN MIDDLE EAST:

- 1) NEITHER EGYPT NOR USSR HAD CONSULTED OR INFORMED SYRIA IN ADVANCE ABOUT AGREEMENT ON CEASE FIRE AND SC RES. 338.
- 2) ARAFAT TOLD SOV OFFICIAL EARLIER OCT. 25 HE INTENDED RESPECT CEASE FIRE PROVIDED RIGHTS OF PALESTINIANS PROPERLY PROTECTED.
- 3) IRAQI BAATH PARTY LEADERS EXPECTED MEET IN BAGHDAD SECRET

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OCT. 25 AND AGREE TO SOFTPEDAL IRAQI OPPOSITION TO SC

RESOLUTIONS AND CEASEFIRE.

4) EARLY ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM EGYPTIAN TERRITORY TAKEN AFTER OCT. 22 CEASEFIRE OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO POSITION OF SADAT AND ALSO TO FUTURE SOV RELATIONS WITH AND POLICY TOWARD ARAB STATES. THIS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT TEST OF WHETHER OR NOT US AND USSR ABLE ENSURE THAT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN TWO OF THEM ARE CARRIED OUT BY THIRD PARTIES. BUFFUM

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